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Oil Crisis Latest

Doubts About Iran's Offer

Teheran, July 26.

Mr. W. Averell Harriman and the British Ambassador, Sir Francis Shepherd, tried to find out tonight if the new Iranian offer to negotiate may really mean a break in the bitter deadlock of oil nationalisation.

President Harry Truman's personal trouble-shooter and Sir Francis both kept busy calling on government and political leaders to pin down the exact nature of the offer to Britain.

Mr. Harriman met with Iran's Oil Board.

The latest move followed Mr. Harriman's statement that he is hopeful the two countries will negotiate again and start the flow of oil from the Abadan refinery.

The British Cabinet in London was considering Iran's offer to renew talks broken off a month ago but delayed deciding whether to accept, pending a report from Sir Francis.

Mr. Harriman's statement indicated he may have succeeded in getting Iran to modify its interpretation of the nationalisation law.

STILL INSIST

Mr. Harriman transmitted Iran's message to London on Tuesday offering to negotiate with a British mission. Details of the offer were not disclosed.

But Iran's Oil Board met today and a spokesman said his country still will insist that Britain must accept the nationalisation law before discussion can start on a working agreement to get the oil flowing again.

In principle, Britain has accepted Iranian ownership of the oil fields and Abadan refinery, but objects to Iranian control of operations and distribution.

Senator Matine Dastari, Premier Mohammed Mossadegh's son-in-law and a member of the oil board, told newsmen it would not interfere with the "technical aspects" of the oil drilling and refining if London admits the authority of the National Oil Company, Iran's successor to the British-owned Anglo-Iranian Oil Company.—Associated Press.

JET PLANE TO BE MASS PRODUCED

London, July 26.

Britain's new top-secret superjet Hawker P.1067 interceptor, which is claimed to be the "world's best fighter plane," will go into mass production immediately for the Royal Air Force, it was announced tonight.—United Press.

Murder Plot: 8 To Die

Addis Ababa, July 26.

Eight men were sentenced to death here today for plotting to assassinate the Emperor, Haile Selassie, and set up an Ethiopian Republic.

The sentence was pronounced by a special Tribunal after a two-day trial held in camera.

The arrest of the eight men, who included a Minister of State, was revealed on July 9. The Minister of State—to the Prime Minister's Office—was Bitwoded Negash—formerly President of Parliament.

They were reported on July 10 to have pleaded guilty before the Emperor and to have asked for pardon.—Reuter.

France Still Without Govt

Paris, July 26.

The Secretary of the President of the French Republic, M. Vincent Auriol, tonight announced that the President had decided to consult all parties, including the Gaullists and the Communists, and would receive groups of their delegates successively until midnight and again tomorrow morning, to solve France's present Cabinet crisis.

Earlier M. Paul Reynaud had seen the President to inform him that he had abandoned his attempt to form a French Government. After M. Reynaud left the Elysee Palace, President Auriol saw M. Edouard Herriot, the President of the National Assembly.

M. Reynaud has told a meeting of his moderate Conservative colleagues and allies that he would ask the President to invite Parliamentary leaders to adopt a joint policy on the two main disputed questions of the day:

- 1.—Wages.
 - 2.—Aid for Church schools.
- The nation has been without a Government for more than two weeks since the general election. The hunt for a Premier has been confined to the Centre parties, which so far refuse to co-operate with either of the extremes—the Gaullists, with the most deputies in the new Assembly, and the Communists, who are second.—Reuter.

KAESONG TALKS ADJOURNED

U.N. Advance Base, July 27.

UN delegates arrived at Kaesong at 6.35 (local time). The cease-fire negotiations adjourned their Friday meeting at 11.15 a.m. They will reconvene tomorrow at 10 a.m.—United Press.

BRITISH GOVT CLAPS CONTROLS ON SHAREHOLDERS' DIVIDENDS

Applicable For A Period Of Three Years

London, July 26.

Britain's Labour Government today clamped down controls on shareholders' dividends in an emergency move to halt inflation.

Companies will have to peg their dividend payments at the average of what they distributed in the last two years. This will ensure that dividends will not soar during the three years of the rearmament programme.

Announcing the new measure in the House of Commons, Mr Hugh Gaitskell, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said he hoped that the curb on dividends would lead workers to accept "reasonable restraint" in asking for higher wages.

Mr Gaitskell said that there would probably be a deficit in the Sterling area's gold and dollar reserve in the next few months, "possibly quite a substantial one."

The Government would review the dollar import programme and cut spending where this could be done without damaging long-term interests.

He was opening a debate in the House of Commons on Britain's economic position, rising prices and the danger of inflation.

Background to the debate was a trade gap of £554,000,000 in the first half of the year.

Companies at present observe a voluntary limitation of dividends as part of the Government's anti-inflation policy of pegging wages and profits.

Mr Gaitskell said that profits had increased by 10½ per cent in April, 13 per cent in May and over 18 per cent in June.

Control would apply to all companies, public and private. It would apply during the rearmament period, which would be defined as three years for each company.

A limit would be placed on the gross amount of dividends to be distributed other than fixed rate dividends.

Normally, the limit would be the average of the dividends distributed for the last two accounting periods of the company for which before July 27, 1951, a final dividend had been paid or declared or announced.

For companies which had paid no dividend or an abnormally low dividend there would be an alternative standard of five per cent of the relevant capital paid-up share capital.

CHECKING INFLATION

For new companies which need to raise more capital the standard dividend would be seven per cent of the relevant capital. Control would not

apply to companies distributing less than £10,000 gross.

The Treasury would, in exceptional circumstances, allow a dividend to be raised but only in very special cases.

Mr Gaitskell said that limitation of dividends would check inflation in share values following on higher dividends.

He hoped that this control of dividends and certain measures of price control, which he announced, would lead workers to accept reasonable restraint in demands for increased wages.

A continuation of the rate of wage increases—of last winter might do serious damage to the stability of the country's economy, Mr Gaitskell said.

Earlier, Mr Gaitskell had warned Parliament that the cost of living would rise still further though not so steeply in the next half year as in the last few months.

He was in principle against increasing Government subsidies now running at £400,000,000 a year but if a very slight increase would secure general agreement on measures of internal stability he would reconsider this attitude.

Mr Gaitskell also announced that the Government was considering an extension of price control of goods.

He said that the Food Minister, Mr Maurice Webb, was against price controlling highly perishable foods—about one-third of all foods—but he was considering controlling the price of other groceries such as jam and breakfast foods. This would ensure that there was no profiteering at any stage.

CREDIT POLICY

Mr Gaitskell said that he had asked the banks to tighten up their credit policy.

Bank advances had been increasing in the past year by about 10 per cent compared with the previous year. He thought it was time for a rather tighter check. The banks would restrict any extension of credit for all but the more essential purposes.

Appealing to the miners to produce more coal, Mr Gaitskell said that exports in the first five months were 2,500,000 tons against 6,750,000 tons in the corresponding months of 1950.

Most of these exports went to Western Europe upon whom Britain depended for many supplies absolutely vital to her industry—timber, wood pulp, pyrites and the bulk of the imported iron ore which was needed for steel production.

Unless Britain could export coal she risked losing these important supplies.

In his reference to a probable dollar deficit in the third quarter of this year, Mr Gaitskell said that Britain would be buying exceptionally large amounts of dollar imports in that quarter—£100,000,000 more than in a normal quarter.

But the fourth quarter should not be so unfavourable, though he thought it unlikely that there would be a dollar surplus.

Mr Gaitskell said that the problem of the rise and fall in the price of raw materials could only be dealt with by international action. Experience showed that sharp rises were nearly always followed by equally sharp falls, which could have very serious economic and political consequences.

RESTRAINT TO UNIONS

Mr Gaitskell's move was considered by observers to be more significant politically than financially—in effect a gesture to the

8,000,000-strong trade union movement, whose leaders have said they cannot restrain wage demands unless unearned incomes are curbed.

The control will be enforced in the autumn.

Stockbrokers said that the dividend curb had confirmed their worst fears.

"It is a black day for the City," said one.

The prices of all shares registered in Britain were expected to fall sharply as soon as the London Stock Exchange opened tomorrow.

All companies distributing more than £10,000 gross a year will be affected by the dividend control.

A simple explanation would be the case of a rubber company which paid out 10 per cent in 1949 and 80 per cent in 1950 when rubber prices went up. Under control, it can only pay a maximum of 30 per cent regardless of how much it earns or is able to pay.

Mr Gaitskell had two warnings for the nation, observers pointed out.

- 1.—If wages continued to rise at last year's rate, there might be serious damage to the nation's economy.
- 2.—The cost of living would go up still further, but not as steeply as in the last few months.—Reuter.

South Africans On The Way To Big Total

The South Africans made an impressive start when they won the toss and batted yesterday in the fourth Test match at Leeds.

At the close of play they had scored 283 for the loss of three wickets. Eric Rowan batted right through the day for 160 not out.

Salary Cut Move Defeated

Washington, July 26.

The House, by a standing vote of 171 to 61, today defeated a Republican move to cut off the salary of Mr Dean Acheson, Secretary of State, in hopes of forcing him out of office.

Only two Democrats were observed to stand up in favour of the "get Acheson" rider to the appropriation bill for the State, Commerce and Justice Departments. A score of more Republicans joined the Democratic majority to defeat the long-planned manoeuvre after an acid debate.—United Press.

Senate Approves Promotions

Washington, July 26.

The Senate Armed Services Committee today approved the promotions of two top Army officers to the four-star rank of full general. The officers are Lt-Gen. James van Fleet and Lt-Gen. Alfred Gruenther.—United Press.

Dismembered Body Found By Monte Carlo Police

Monte Carlo, July 26.

The remnants of a pair of slacks found on a dismembered woman's body near here are of the same material as those worn by Mme. Maria Smigly-Rids, missing widow of the former Polish Marshal, one of her neighbours said today.

Monte Carlo police, searching the missing woman's flat, found another pair of slacks of the same type and make.

The police said here today that they had not discarded the theory that the body, which was found in a sack at Cros d'Uelle, was that of the Marshal's 57-year-old widow.

The police also found today that before her disappearance Mme. Smigly-Rids had pledged jewels to the Monte Carlo official pawnbroker. Acquaintances thought that she was trying to raise money to give to Polish refugees.—Reuter.

Egypt Stands Pat On Suez Canal Blockade

Flushing, July 26.

Egypt today indicated before the United Nations Security Council that it would maintain its present blockade of the Suez Canal until a peace treaty is signed with Israel.

The Security Council convened to debate the Suez case and the Council President, Sir Gladwyn Jebb of Britain, invited representatives of Egypt, Israel and Iraq to take places at the table. Iraq, although not directly involved in the dispute, had requested the right to participate.

The Council session was one of the best-attended in a long time. All delegations brought large staffs of advisers. The Egyptian delegation was reinforced by the arrival at noon today from Cairo of a military expert, Colonel Mahmoud Rihad, head of the Egyptian delegation to the Mixed Armistice Commission.

Israel asked the Council to instruct Egypt to cease, permanently and unconditionally, its Suez Canal blockade and appealed to the Council to rule on whether a state of war existed between Israel and Egypt.

Opening the first round of the Council debate on what may prove crucial United Nations intervention in the deteriorating Middle East situation, the Israeli delegate, Mr. Abba Eban, charged that the Egyptian blockade violated the Suez Canal convention of 1885 as well as Israeli-Egyptian armistice agreements and international law—provisions guaranteeing freedom of the seas.

NO STATE OF WAR

"My government instructs me to declare that Israel is in no state of war with Egypt and denies that Egypt has the least right to be at war with Israel," he said.

He told the Council the "aggressive and hostile" practice of the Suez blockade was a "central international question" and not a complaint of limited topographical scope "similar to others which have arisen on various occasions within the context of the armistice system."

Mohammed Fawzi Bey of Egypt, speaking to the Council immediately after Mr. Eban, declared that the armistice should not be confused with a state of peace because clearly there were no peace treaties signed, and he contended that under the circumstances Egypt had full right to search and inspect Suez traffic in the interests of her security.

Fewz Bey then charged that Israeli behaviour was not conducive to termination of a legal state of war and "to the consequent possibility of doing away with measures which are the subject of the present dispute and which Egypt is both impelled and legally and politically justified to take."

EGYPTIAN CHARGES

He accused Israel of not respecting the armistice, not carrying out the United Nations resolutions and refusing to allow Palestine Arab refugees to return to their homes or receive compensation for property. He said the record clearly showed that since the signing of the armistice:

1. "Israeli armed forces illegally occupied Bir Qattar."
2. "Israeli, by aeroplane raids and otherwise, expelled thousands of Palestinian Arabs from Israeli-controlled territory into the demilitarized zone between Egypt and Israel and across the frontiers into Egyptian territory."

Fawzi Bey said he hoped the Council would not "again fail" to appreciate sufficiently Arab interests in Palestine.

The Council adjourned until next Wednesday to give delegates time to study details.—United Press.

Kaesong Progress Pleases

BUT FINGERS ARE KEPT CROSSED

Washington, July 26.

American officials today welcomed the success of the first stage of the Korean armistice talks but kept their fingers crossed on the new stage of negotiations for an actual ceasefire.

Authorities noted that the United Nations had taken a stiff negotiating position on two points in the preliminaries and apparently won on each.

The first gamble was taken on getting the Reds to withdraw armed guards from the immediate area of Kaesong.

The second was on the troop withdrawal issue which threatened to end negotiations.

The fact that the Communists backed down twice was accepted as temporary evidence that they might be willing to follow through on a bona fide armistice. However, officials said the Communist intentions would be disclosed more fully in the important negotiations now under way. They said the two sides were far apart on the issues of a demilitarized zone and policing Korea after the armistice.

Senators generally welcomed the Kaesong agenda agreement but stressed that it merely meant the two sides had decided what they would talk about. Senator Alexander Wiley said the agenda agreement was "just a hope of better things to come."

Senator H. Alexander Smith said achievement of an agenda "is a step ahead, but we've just begun to discuss issues."

Senator Theodore Green said: "We must be prepared for many other developments and be patient in all our dealings with our enemies." He added that there had been general failure to understand that the Korean fighting showed that the United States and its allies had not established that they were willing to pay "life and treasure" to stop aggression.—United Press.

Outlawing Of Reds, Demand

Teheran, July 26.

Parliament was urged today to enact a law cracking down on Communist Party activities here because they were becoming a "threat to the peace and security of Iran."

The Independent deputy, Jamal Emami, urged legal action against the Tudeh Party's activities. He said they were threatening Iran at a time when the nation was fighting economic strangulation resulting from paralysis in the rich oil fields.—United Press.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Molotov's Veiled Threat

WHEN Russian Communist Imperialism is checked or sated at one point, it bursts out at another. After Eastern Europe came Czechoslovakia; after Czechoslovakia came Korea. Now, with cease-fire negotiations at Kaesong well launched, the question is being asked in some quarters—where next? The answer could be any one of half a dozen danger spots. It may well be: Yugoslavia. Attention has been drawn again this week to Marshal Tito's regime by the veiled threats uttered by M. Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, in a speech in Warsaw. M. Molotov warned Marshal Tito that the latter would not be able to maintain power "by means of bloody terror" for long. In another reference to the Belgrade Government he declared "The people of Yugoslavia will find the road to freedom and elimination of the Tito Fascist regime." Outbursts against Yugoslavia in the Russian Press and radio have long been a commonplace; but it is unusual for a Russian leader of the stature of M. Molotov personally to attack Tito. This could be ominous. It could also merely be another incident in the war of nerves. Yugoslavia undoubtedly stands in danger. Russia's satellites—Rumania, Bulgaria and Hungary—have expanded their armies, vastly beyond the treaty limits and stand poised, ready to pounce at a word from the Kremlin. The propaganda barrage against Yugoslavia has been intensified and frontier incidents have

become more frequent. Such premonitory rumblings heralded the Korea thunderclap last June. They went unheeded, then, but they are not being ignored today. That Britain, the United States and France are not unaware of the danger has been shown by the loans granted to Tito and the promise of American arms. Something more would seem to be in order—a joint British-American-French declaration that they will not allow an attack on Yugoslavia to go unchallenged. Peace can best be served by warning would-be aggressors of the consequences of their acts before they make them—that is a lesson which has been learned by our generation in bloodshed and bitterness. Yugoslavia is still a Communist country as Russia, and the Western powers are not concerned with upholding Titoism against Stalinism—or even to fight Communism as such. But, as members of the United Nations, Britain, the United States and France are pledged to resist unprovoked aggression on the Adriatic or anywhere else. If they were to refuse help to Yugoslavia in case of attack they might as well hand Europe to Stalin on a plate without more ado. It cannot be said definitely that Russia plans an attack on Yugoslavia, directly or through her satellites, but speeches such as that of M. Molotov this week are in the nature of a forewarning, and to be forewarned is to be forearmed.

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New Round-Up Of US Reds

Washington, July 26. The United States Justice Department today launched a new round-up of secondary Communist Party leaders in Los Angeles, San Francisco and New York City. The Department announced that 11 arrests had been made.

The Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, said that those arrested had been active in Communist Party work largely in California.

The new move against the party leaders followed the arrests of 17 Eastern Communists in the East Coast last month. All of those taken were accused of conspiracy to teach and advocate the violent overthrow of the United States Government.—Reuter.

RAINBOW SCHOOL

Shades Set Tone For Work

Chislehurst, July 26. Chislehurst children who go to Redhill Junior school, call their "rainbow" school—the colour scheme includes at least 150 different shades, all chosen for their suitability to the type of work children undertake in the various rooms.

Entrances to classrooms are in a soft grey to put the children in quiet and serious mood for study.

The outlet to the playground is a shining blue. Colour along the corridors range from grey to mauve, and from warm shades of pink to primrose yellow.

The canteen has vivid striped awnings and comfortable little chairs.

The school was designed by Mr. Garnham Wright, Kent county architect.

The school spreads over 20,000 square feet, and will cover even more ground when an infants school, planned on similar lines, is added.

All is on one floor, except for what will be the library.—London Express Service.

Students To Mend Books At Dunkirk

London, July 26. When it became obvious that the Germans would soon batter their way into Dunkirk, the local people took most of the books from the municipal library into their homes for safe keeping.

Fifteen men and women students from British universities are going to Dunkirk next month to help sort out and repair the books, which have now been restored to the library.

They will give up most of their summer holiday to the job. Some are taking a book-binding course before they go.

The United Nations Student Association are organising the trip. Another party are going to Strasbourg to give similar help to the National Library there.—London Express Service.

Birmingham Murder

Birmingham, July 26. A 23-year-old labourer was charged today with the murder of a 25-year-old woman whose body was found on waste ground here last night. With her was her baby son.—Reuter.

FIVE-POINT PLAN TO MR. NEHRU

Restoration Of Friendly Indo-Pakistan Relations

Karachi, July 26.

The Pakistan Prime Minister, Mr Liaquat Ali Khan, has invited the Prime Minister of India, Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, to visit Karachi to discuss the Kashmir question.

The Pakistan Prime Minister also put forward a five-point "peace plan" for the restoration of "a peaceful atmosphere and the establishment of friendly relations" between Pakistan and India on a permanent basis.

Mr Liaquat Ali Khan made these proposals in his latest reply to Mr Nehru, which was sent from here today. He "cordially" invited Mr Nehru to visit Karachi "if you would like to discuss any provisions of this plan further."

The visit should come off as soon as the first essential step toward the restoration of a peaceful atmosphere, namely, the withdrawal of the concentration of forces, has been carried out, Mr Liaquat Ali Khan said.

In addition to the withdrawal of troops, the "peace plan" included the following points:

1.—As soon as the troops have been withdrawn, "both India and Pakistan should reaffirm their agreement that the question of accession of the State of Jammu and Kashmir to India or Pakistan should be decided through the democratic method of a free and impartial plebiscite to be held under United Nations auspices."

"To this end both Governments should state their readiness to implement, without obstruction or delay, the obligations undertaken by them under the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan resolutions of August 13, 1948, and January 5, 1949, which include the observance of the ceasefire agreement and the withdrawal of their armed forces from the State and the acceptance of the decision of the Security Council in the event of any differences regarding the interpretation and execution of these agreed resolutions."

2.—Both Governments should also declare their renunciation of the use of forceful methods of settlement of any other disputes and refer such disputes to arbitration or judicial determination if they are not resolved by negotiation or mediation.

3.—Both Governments should reaffirm the obligation undertaken by them in the Delhi Agreement, particularly Clause "C" (6) and that they should not permit propaganda in either country directed against the territorial interests of the other or purporting to incite war between them, and to take prompt and effective actions against any individual or organisation guilty of such propaganda.

4.—Both Governments should make a declaration that they will on no account attack or invade the territory of the other. Stating that the "present crisis" has been caused by the massing of Indian forces on Pakistan borders, the Pakistan Prime Minister said: "The major cause of tension between India and Pakistan is India's refusal to honour its international commitment for a free and impartial plebiscite in Kashmir."

He stated that United Nations Commission, the Security Council, the United Nations representative, Sir Owen Dixon, and the Commonwealth Prime Ministers have all made efforts to get an international agreement for demilitarisation and a free plebiscite embodied in two resolutions of the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan implemented.

"The root of the whole trouble," he said, "lies in your persistent refusal to withdraw your armed forces from Kashmir. The occupation of Kashmir by your armed forces under the cover of a wholly invalid instrument of accession offered by the Maharajah was an act of aggression against Pakistan and against the people of Pakistan."

"But," he said, "the Hindu Mahasabha is not the only party in India doing this. One has only to cast a casual glance at the Indian Press to see the virulence of the propaganda against Pakistan."

"Your reference to propaganda in Pakistan are misconceived," he stated.

"All that Pakistan has stressed is a free and impartial plebiscite in Kashmir."—Reuter.

BRITISH EFFORTS

London, July 26. Mr Patrick Gordon-Walker, Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, said today

that the British Government had "played a full part" in the Security Council's efforts to achieve a peaceful solution to the Kashmir dispute acceptable to both sides.

Major Tufan Beamish (Conservative) had asked Mr Gordon-Walker if he would "describe the direct efforts made by the British Government to persuade India to accept mediation in accordance with the United Nations proposals" in the Kashmir dispute.

Major Beamish also asked if Mr Gordon-Walker was aware "that an increasingly grave situation is developing as a result of India's refusal to accept mediation and what further steps he proposes to encourage the Indian Government to modify its attitude."

Mr Gordon-Walker, in his reply, said that the British Government naturally been constantly in touch with both the Commonwealth Governments who are parties to the dispute, and have on frequent occasions made direct efforts designed to promote a settlement.

"It would be quite contrary to the spirit and nature of these exchanges to make public the suggestions which have been made from time to time by the United Kingdom Government," he said.

"The United Kingdom Government," he said, "are very conscious of the grave effect that this dispute continues to have on relations between India and Pakistan and view with particular concern recent indications of increased tension between the two countries."—Reuter.

DEFENCE PRECAUTIONS

Karachi, July 26. The Pakistan Government tonight promulgated an ordinance providing special powers to secure the civil defence of the country.

A notice issued to the Press tonight said: "On account of the present emergency the Pakistan Government have decided to promulgate immediately the Civil Defence (Special Powers) Ordinance and Civil Defence Rules, 1951, with a view to providing for special powers to secure the civil defence of Pakistan."

"The ordinance comes into force today and provides for the constitution of civil defence and ARP services and the taking of other precautionary and preventive measures necessary for civil defence."

"It also provides for the control of lights, noises and vehicles and the requisitioning of property."

"The ordinance also provides for the delegation of the powers of the Central Government to the provinces."—Reuter.

Strip-Teasers Have Nothing To Learn

London, July 26. Britain's billowy show-girls protest that they have nothing to learn about undressing on-stage from Gypsy Rose Lee, veteran queen of American strippers who is coming here this summer to show her art.

Renee (The Real Thing) Baxter, sultry 19-year-old brunette, acting as spokesman for two scores of her lightly-clad colleagues at the Windmill Theatre, warned Gypsy that in Britain strippers start where they generally stop in the United States.

"This American invasion of the stage has to be halted somewhere," averred Miss Baxter. "Wait till this Lee woman sees how far we've progressed in staid old England when it comes to her specialty. Why, I hear she comes on stage all dressed up and takes it off bit by bit."

"That might be all right in America but Englishmen are more direct. Over here the girls come on stage with practically nothing on and it saves a lot of time. Who does Miss Lee think she's fooling? Everybody has a general idea of what's under a dress."

"My dear," murmured a showgirl who calls herself "the Countess," "I simply must see what it is that she does. Is she... ah... an anatomical... ah... curiosity?"

"TOO, TOO JOLLY"

On being assured that the talented Gypsy was a first-rate entertainer, who uses a strip as only one part of a complete act, the Countess exclaimed: "Sounds too, too jolly. And do those quaint Americans actually pay to watch someone undress... knowing they've got to keep some clothes on—the Q-string I think it's called—at all times."

Wanda Alpar, a 21-year-old blonde, welcomed the challenge. Known to her friends as "The Brain"—her father is Nobel Prize winner Sir Edward Appleton—Wanda wanted to see if the censor would show any bias to Miss Lee because she comes from a dollar country.

"We natives aren't allowed to move a muscle while we are on stage without costumes," she said. "I wonder what the position will be with Gypsy?"

Comedian Tommy Trinder was worried that any new emphasis on nudity might lead the censor, the Lord Chamberlain, to take action.

"He might ban all 500 nudes now operating," Tommy said, "and that would be a thousand pitiful."—United Press.

INDIAN CALL-UP

New Delhi, July 26. India has ordered thousands of National Guard troops to active duty for what a military spokesman today called training exercises.

He said the move is not connected with the hot talk between India and Pakistan over who will rule Kashmir.

The spokesman would not disclose the number of soldiers called up. A usually informed source said orders went out to 20,000 supply troops, 20,000 infantrymen and a number of engineers.—Associated Press.

General Franco Admiring His Granddaughter



Generalissimo Francisco Franco, Spanish Chief of State, pauses to admire his granddaughter, held by his wife, Dona Carmen Franco. The young lady is the child of Franco's daughter, the Marquessa de Villaverde.—AP Picture.

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Renee (The Real Thing) Baxter, sultry 19-year-old brunette, acting as spokesman for two scores of her lightly-clad colleagues at the Windmill Theatre, warned Gypsy that in Britain strippers start where they generally stop in the United States.

"This American invasion of the stage has to be halted somewhere," averred Miss Baxter. "Wait till this Lee woman sees how far we've progressed in staid old England when it comes to her specialty. Why, I hear she comes on stage all dressed up and takes it off bit by bit."

"That might be all right in America but Englishmen are more direct. Over here the girls come on stage with practically nothing on and it saves a lot of time. Who does Miss Lee think she's fooling? Everybody has a general idea of what's under a dress."

"My dear," murmured a showgirl who calls herself "the Countess," "I simply must see what it is that she does. Is she... ah... an anatomical... ah... curiosity?"

"TOO, TOO JOLLY"

On being assured that the talented Gypsy was a first-rate entertainer, who uses a strip as only one part of a complete act, the Countess exclaimed: "Sounds too, too jolly. And do those quaint Americans actually pay to watch someone undress... knowing they've got to keep some clothes on—the Q-string I think it's called—at all times."

Wanda Alpar, a 21-year-old blonde, welcomed the challenge. Known to her friends as "The Brain"—her father is Nobel Prize winner Sir Edward Appleton—Wanda wanted to see if the censor would show any bias to Miss Lee because she comes from a dollar country.

"We natives aren't allowed to move a muscle while we are on stage without costumes," she said. "I wonder what the position will be with Gypsy?"

Comedian Tommy Trinder was worried that any new emphasis on nudity might lead the censor, the Lord Chamberlain, to take action.

"He might ban all 500 nudes now operating," Tommy said, "and that would be a thousand pitiful."—United Press.

Woman Tries To Better Yogi

Genoa, July 26. Madia Goya, who has been practising Yoga for 17 years, began a fast here last night in an attempt to beat the world record of 61 days claimed by Delfo, an Italian from Trieste.

The 47-year-old woman of Slav origin had herself sealed in a glass coffin in the presence of a notary.

Delfo, also a Yoga follower, chalked up his record in Rome three weeks ago, beating by one day the time set up by the French "Fakir Burnah" a week before.—Reuter.

STALIN ON DUTCH TV SCREENS

Amsterdam, July 26. Viewers in Eastern Holland and Northern Belgium have been receiving Russian broadcasts on their television sets.

Normally this would not be possible owing to the great distances involved, but recent fine weather has caused air layers at high altitudes to reflect TV waves from Stalingrad and Leningrad.

There are no official TV broadcasts in Holland, but many people have set up view experimental transmissions from Eindhoven, where a station has been set up.

Mr Jan Mersman, a radio dealer at Hoogeveen, was surprised to see a bust of Stalin with Russian text printed beneath it appear on his screen.

Another radio dealer, Mr Mastenbroek, Slagharen, has been receiving operas, football matches and commentaries—all in Russian.

Similar reports come from radio amateurs in several places, including Haarlem, near Amsterdam, in Western Holland.—London Express Service.

Aries' Return Postponed

Elision Airbase, Alaska, July 26. The Royal Air Force Aries Lincoln, which flew over the North Pole on Tuesday, today postponed her return flight to Lincolnshire, England, because of engine trouble.

The Aries, with a staff of the RAF Flying College, should have flown the 4,000-miles non-stop from this base at Fairbanks, Alaska, tomorrow.

It was hoped to resume the flight plan as soon as possible to fly over Greenland and home.—Reuter.

Egging him on



Anouk To Wed Left Bank King

Paris, July 26. Anouk, 19-year-old French film actress who made her name in British films and starred with Trevor Howard in "The Golden Salamander," is marrying again.

The bridegroom is Nico, king of the fashionable Existentialist night clubs on Paris's Left Bank.

His full name is Nicholas Papadaku, and he owns "La Rose Rouge" in St. Germain-des-Près, where Jean-Paul Sartre started his movement.

Jacques Prevost, songwriter and poet who launched Anouk on her career, has written a special marriage address. All the short-haired girls and the long-haired boys of the "quarter" are invited to a reception at Nico's nightclub.

NICO HANDSOME

Anouk has just finished a film in Spain with Mario Cabre, the bullfighter-actor who followed Ava Gardner to Britain after they had made a film together.

Anouk-Almeo was married at the age of 16½ to a French business man, M. Zimmermann. When she sought annulment of the marriage last year, she claimed that it had been arranged only and had been arranged by her mother to help her career.

Nico, 30 years old, is a handsome Greek. He has seen his nightclub grow from a student "cave."

Existentialism, a post-war philosophy, is based on the simple fact that man exists. Predetermination is denied—man has freedom to shape his own destiny.—London Express Service.

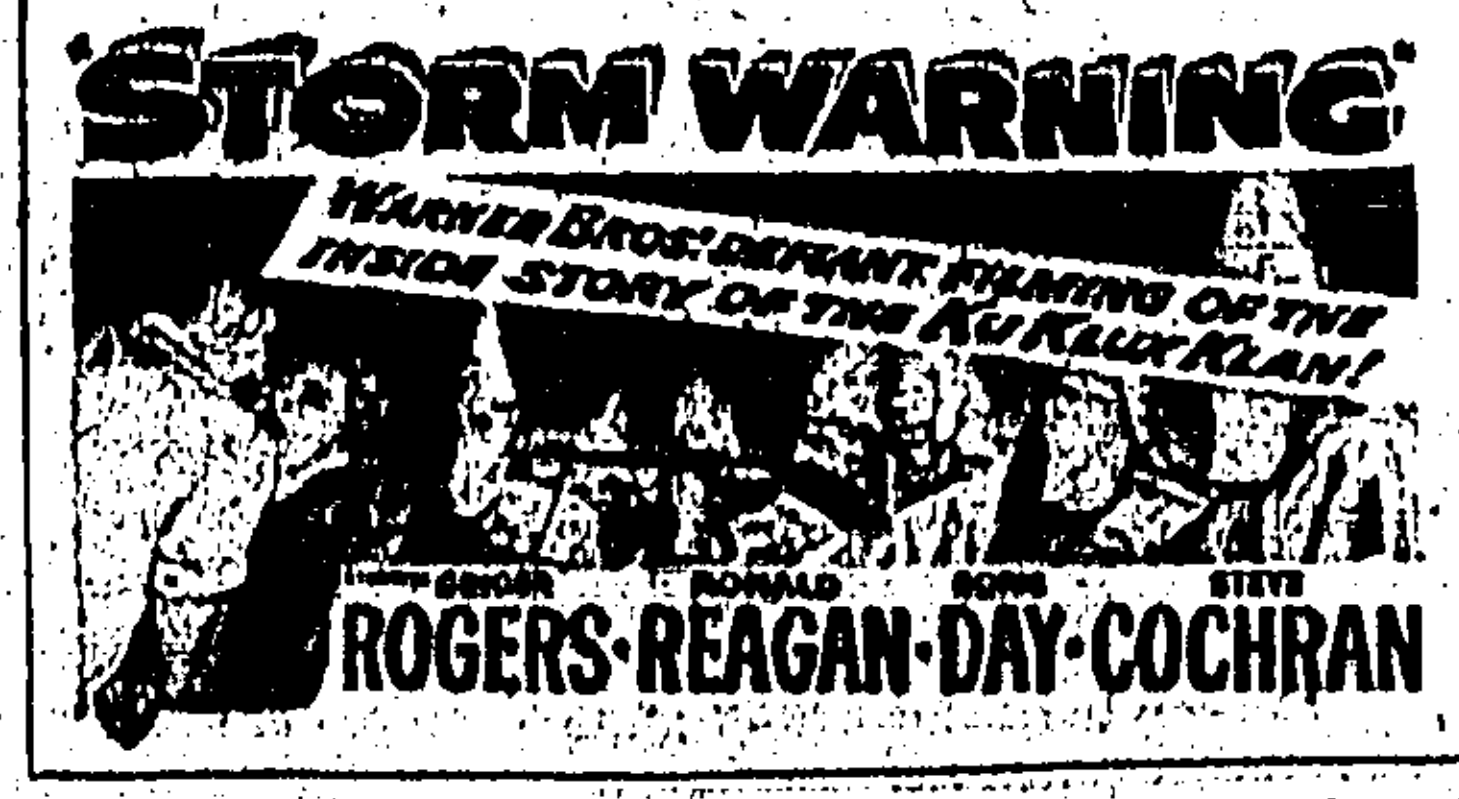
CONFERENCE ON ARMS

London, July 26. The four-power conference on the standardization of small arms will be held in Washington on August 2 and August 3, according to a usually reliable source here today.

The source said that Mr Emanuel Shinwell, Britain's Defence Minister, will represent Britain at the conference which will discuss the adoption by Britain of the new .260 calibre rifle.

The countries taking part in the conference are the United States, Britain, Canada and France.

They form the military standardization agency of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.—Reuter.



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Congress Asked To Approve Huge Sum To Provide Arms Aid For Allies

Washington, July 26.

The United States Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, said today that it would take about \$25,000,000,000—spread over the next three years—to provide defence "capital equipment" for America's allies.

Urging Congress to approve an \$8,500,000,000 foreign military and economic aid bill, Mr. Acheson said that two more such programmes would be necessary to equip allies in Europe and Asia.

Mr. Acheson said that there had been tremendous progress towards European integration over the past few years.

He described the Schuman Plan for pooling European coal and steel resources as a tremendous step forward and action to create a European defence force for integration in the North Atlantic defence force as a move of "most profound significance."

Mr. Acheson had great hope that within the next few months other significant steps would be taken.

He believed American aid and co-operation in Europe had played an essential part in easing the old animosities between several of the European nations.

Without the mutual security programme "our whole defence strategy would have to be drastically revised," Mr. Acheson said.

He added that the free world was potentially much stronger than Russia and her satellites.

GREATER RESOURCES

The free world included more than two-thirds of the total population and nearly three-quarters of the land area. Its total productivity was many times that of the Soviet empire. It had resources of mind and spirit incalculably greater than those under the "dictatorial control of the Kremlin."

Mr. Acheson said that a united Europe which was strong economically, spiritually and militarily could, when added to America's own strength, be a strong deterrent to all forms of aggression not only in Europe but elsewhere in the world.

Along the south-eastern reaches of Europe and into the Near East the aims of United States foreign policy were to make even stronger the existing strong points and to help other countries to strengthen themselves against the dangers they faced.

Later he said, "The ingenuity and best efforts of all free nations are necessary to success. We are proposing a large capital investment to make these efforts possible and fruitful."

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Mr. Acheson told questioners that America had the economic and financial capacity to meet the obligations of the mutual defence programme. She had a much greater margin in its economy than had European nations.

Soviet leaders could see that the free nations were gaining in strength through the aid programmes, and the Communists' peace propaganda campaign had been launched to cause the free nations to relax their defence effort.

Questioned about aid to Spain, Mr. Acheson said that the results of the mission to Spain of the late Admiral Forrest Sherman were now undergoing appraisal. The State Department had not had an opportunity to go into Admiral Sherman's reports in detail.

FORMOSA POLICY

Asked by Senator Brewster if Spain would be eligible for aid under the programme if it were deemed advisable, Mr. Acheson said that there were provisions in the programme which could make funds available.

Mr. Brewster questioned the Secretary about aid to Formosa, and the policy restrictions barring the Chinese Nationalist forces there from attacking the Chinese Communist mainland.

Mr. Acheson said he did not now see any possibility of a change in the United States policy of neutralising the island.

Mr. Brewster commented that this meant the Communists had control of the mainland and was not going to do anything about it.

Democrat Senator Theodore Green said it should be made clear that the mutual security programme was not a one-way affair.

The defence of Europe in particular was part of the security of the United States and the European nations were contributing manpower which was more available than dollars from the United States.

The Democrat chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, Mr. Tom Connally, announced that the Secretary of Defence, General George Marshall, would testify before the Committee tomorrow.—Reuter.

THE MINIMUM

Mr. Acheson told the Committee that the Administration's \$8,500,000,000 foreign aid pro-

gramme for this year represents an "irreducible minimum."

Taxpayers would be asked for similarly large sums for the fiscal years of 1953 and 1954. Only after that, Mr. Acheson said, would the Western powers have enough "capital equipment" of their own to produce the needed munitions.

Mr. Acheson warned that peace talks in Korea could break down. If that should happen, he said, the United Nations forces are ready to meet any renewed Communist assault.

Mr. Acheson emphasised the importance of aid to Asia, where the free world must get many of its strategic materials.

"Of key importance, too, is the industrial potential of Japan," he said, because it "lies within this region but is not included in this aid programme since its needs are met in other ways."

PRESSURES GREAT

He said "Communist pressures in the Pacific area have been very great and internal pressures continue. The need of military aid for this area is apparent. The arms we are sending to Indo-China and the Philippines are urgently needed."

With the concentration of the Communist effort in the past year in Korea some people may have forgotten that Communist pressures still are being kept up elsewhere in this region.

Mr. Acheson also emphasised Asia's need for economic help, since "poverty and resentments against former colonial exploitations are our enemies too. We must understand that these forces are at work in Asia, and assure that the forces of nationalism and of the drive for economic improvement are associated with the rest of the free world instead of with Communism."

He added, "We also have in mind the great importance of restoring sovereignty to Japan. You are familiar with the very real progress we are making in the preparation of the treaty of peace for Japan as the essential first step in this direction."

Senator Guy Gillette questioned the breakdown of the foreign aid programme which would give about \$7,000,000,000 of the total to Western Europe and \$125,000,000 "for the explosive Middle East."

Mr. Acheson replied that the programmes were based on military equipment that can actually be absorbed and effectively used by the various anti-Communist nations. That, in turn, depended on the number of troops they have or are planning to muster.—United Press.

RESIGNS FOR SECOND TIME

New Delhi, July 26.

India's Minister of Communications, Mr. Ravi Ahmed Kidwai, today decided to leave the Cabinet.

He will devote his full time to the organisation of the Kisan Mazdoor Praja (the Peasant Worker People) Party headed by the former President of the Indian National Congress, Acharya J. B. Kripalani.

Mr. Kidwai, who submitted his resignation on July 18, withdrew it two days later following Prime Minister Nehru's "unity appeal".—Reuter.

Naval Movements

London, July 26.

The aircraft carrier Ocean (13,200 tons) is setting about to join the Mediterranean Fleet today after a refit at Rosyth, near Edinburgh.

The cruiser Cleopatra (5,770 tons), now being refitted at Chatham, Kent, is to replace the cruiser Phoebe (5,770 tons) in the Mediterranean Fleet.

The fast minelayer Markham (2,550 tons) and some additional submarines are also to be sent to the same area. These changes were announced by the Admiralty in May.—Reuter.

QUAKERS CALL ON MALIK

Moscow, July 26.

The Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Jacob Malik, today received the seven-man delegation of British Quakers visiting Russia.

The substance of Mr. Malik's private talk with the delegation, it was thought, must have had some bearing on the reason for the Quakers' visit, which is to seek "constructive peace talks".—Reuter.

FARRIER CHAMP OF THE ARMY



Farrier/Sgt. Moore finishing the shoe with which he won the Farriery Competition at the Aldershot Horse Show, held in the Rushmoor Arena, Aldershot.

CONTRADICTION REPORTS ON TALAL'S HEALTH

Geneva, July 26.

The news of the assassination of King Abdullah of Jordan has seriously retarded the recovery of his son, Emir Talal, who is undergoing treatment in a clinic near here, it was reliably learned today.

It is not known how much longer the Emir will remain in Switzerland for treatment. He is not in a fit state to return home so soon after his father's assassination, a reliable source here said.

So far as is known, the Emir still plans to return to Jordan when he is fit but authoritative sources said that it was extremely unlikely that he would be recalled before his doctors allowed or before the Jordan situation had eased.

Official sources in Damascus yesterday said they believed the Emir had managed to leave the Swiss clinic but that they could not say where he was.

Mr. J. Barrett, acting British Consul-General here, today said that all reports that Emir Talal had escaped or left the clinic were completely untrue.

Later authoritative sources described reports that the Emir was being held in Switzerland by force as "absolutely false."

Mr. Barrett said that the Emir had been "terribly upset" by the news of his father's assassination.

The Emir came to Switzerland about a fortnight ago at his own request to undergo treatment. He asked to be accompanied by his English doctor.

He receives messages from his family in Jordan and sends messages in return but receives no visitors other than his doctor. No one from Jordan or any other Middle East country has seen him since he arrived here.—Reuter.

Five Set Off For Unknown

London, July 26.

The Emir Talal, 40-year-old heir to assassinated King Abdullah, is expected to return home shortly from a sanatorium in Switzerland to succeed his father as King of Transjordan.

It was expected that a statement on Talal's physical condition would be made soon by his doctors in Switzerland and his succession would be announced when the Jordan Parliament reassembled in September.

One good source said: "I can assure you Talal will return to succeed King Abdullah. His brother Naif wants him to return. The people want him to return as direct successor in the Hashemite line. The Government wants him to return and so obviate any change in the succession."

The Jordanian Legation's military attaché, Major S. D. Kerachy, said: "Nobody can refuse Emir Naif's declaration that he has not had a dispute with Talal. Naif has said he wants Talal to return as King."

Other official sources concerned with Anglo-Jordanian relations said it was possible that Talal, after his return, would surrender succession to his 14-year-old son, Hussein, and Naif would continue as Regent.

Poet-MP Sings In Commons

London, July 26.

Somawera Chandrasekiri, Sinhalese poet and member of the Ceylon Parliament, last night became one of the few people ever to have sung to members within the Houses of Parliament.

Mr. Chandrasekiri, on a visit to Britain, sang cradle and folk songs to members in a room in the Parliament building at Westminster.

The recital was arranged by Sir Howard Deville, General Secretary of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.—Reuter.

AIRLINE ASKS FOR EXTENSION

Northwest's Routes To Far East

Washington, July 26.

Northwest Air Lines today asked the Civil Aeronautics Board for six extensions of its services to the Far East. The Company said the extensions would add 12,000 miles to its present routes.

The new routes would extend Northwest flights as follows: Tokyo to Hongkong, Bangkok, Colombo, Bombay, Singapore and Djakarta.

Manila to Bangkok, Colombo, Bombay, Saigon, Singapore, Djakarta, Calcutta, Jesselton and Borneo.

If the CAB and President Truman approve the application, the inauguration service would be subject to bilateral agreements between the United States and foreign countries involved.

The extensions would establish Northwest Air Lines connections at Bombay with Transworld Air Lines, while other connections would be possible with the Royal Dutch Airlines and Air France for round-the-world flights.

Northwest recently made global connections at Tokyo with Scandinavian Airlines System and British Overseas Airways Corporation.—Associated Press.

Double-Deckers A Failure

Melbourne, July 26.

Melbourne's double-decker buses are to be replaced as they wear out by large single-deckers.

The Tramways Board considers that they have been failures because their single entrances delays loading and unloading, and few passengers prefer sitting upstairs.

Forty-five are still in service.—Reuter.

Talal has seen no one at the clinic except an Arab servant who is constantly with him, his doctor, and one or two diplomats who brought him messages. They were permitted to see him for a couple of minutes only, the sources said. They added that Talal's main concern had been for his family. He sent repeated messages asking for news of them and seemed considerably worried about their situation.—United Press.

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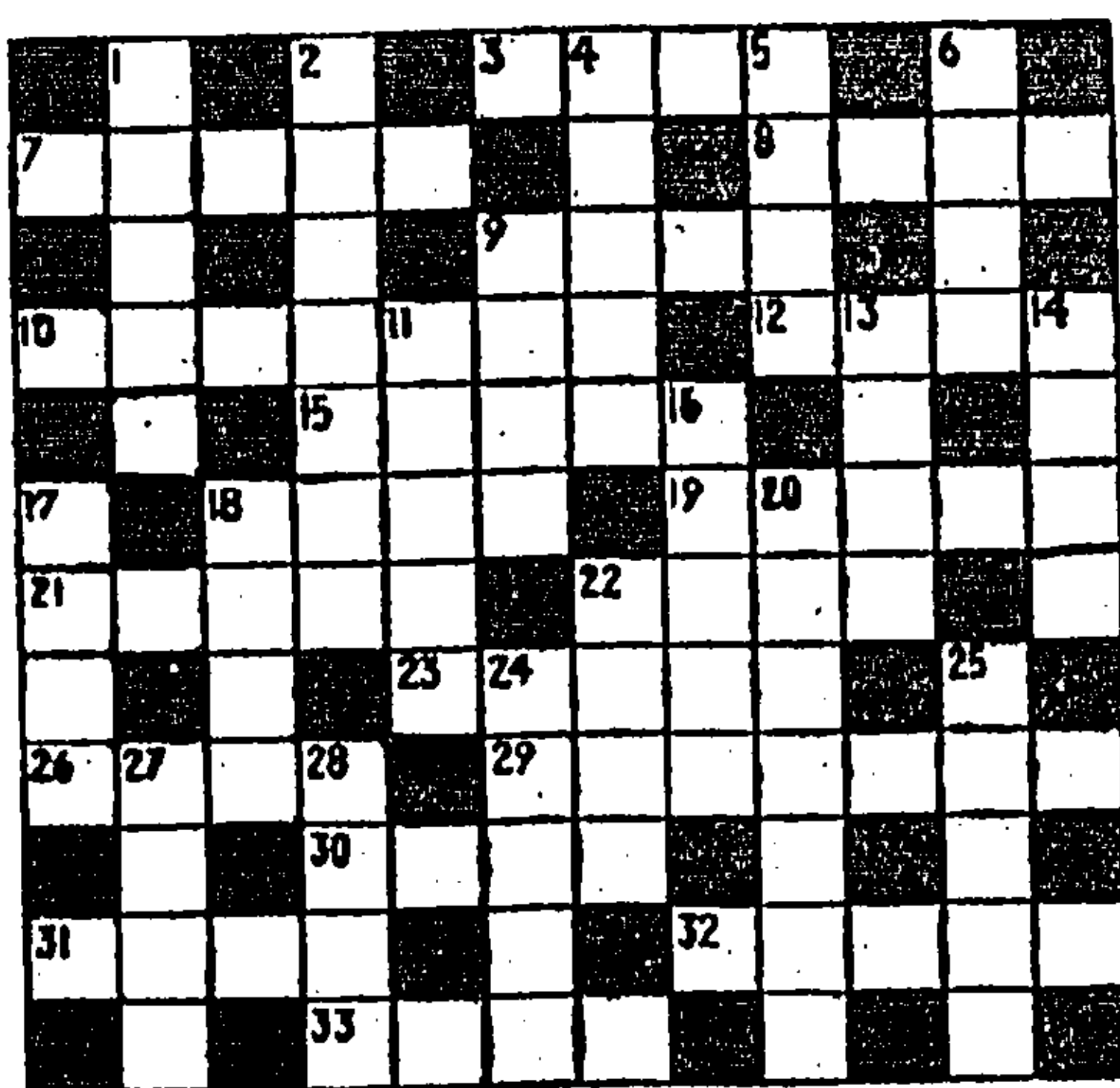
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3 Sharp (4).
7 Inexperienced (5).
8 Egress (4).
9 Bondman (4).
10 Age (7).
12 Migration (4).
13 Public (5).
18 Conceit (4).
19 Skillful (5).
21 Governor (5).
22 Escaped (4).
23 Military unit (5).
24 Tub (4).
26 Vexed (7).
30 Dry (4).
31 Fling (4).
32 Stucken (5).
33 Pine, perhaps (4).

DOWN

1 Dirt (5).
2 Put back (7).
4 Applaud (5).
5 Clever (4).
6 Splendid (4).
9 Simmer (4).
11 Ward off (5).
13 Regretted (4).
14 Bird of prey (4).
16 Claw (5).
17 Larva (4).
18 Spot of ink (4).
20 Bore witness (7).
22 Affectionate (4).
24 Elevate (5).
25 Wood (5).
27 Lily (4).
28 Arrest (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Concur; 7 Earl; 9 Adieu; 10 Padre; 11 Imam; 13 Deliberate; 15 Adze; 16 Best; 19 Disappears; 22 Room; 24 Brave; 25 Idler; 26 Wont; 27 Treaty; Down: 2 Oriol; 3 Crumb; 4 Report; 5 Meditate; 6 Area; 8 Armed; 12 Meek; 13 Debar; 14 Intimate; 17 Adorn; 18 Latent; 20 Pride; 21 Allot; 23 Obese.

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expectant fathers report to the doctor

THE tough infantry sergeant-major had never ailed anything—until the day his wife told him he was going to be a father.

Then the resolute man who had fought through North Africa and Italy without once reporting sick was suddenly seized with violent pains in the chest.

Doctors could find nothing wrong with him. But as the months dragged by, the leg muscles which had carried him smartly over the parade ground began to weaken. Gradually he became a nervous wreck.

He did not recover until after the baby was born.

This case-record is one of six reported by London specialists in evidence that prospective fathers sometimes suffer as much as mothers during the waiting months.

The paternal sufferings which he reports range from severe stomach ache to pain in the neck.

One father-to-be, 27-year-old ex-R.A.F. pilot, had to be rushed to hospital with violent stomach ache after hearing that his wife was going to have a second child.

Surgeons removed his appendix. But the pain continued and spread.

Dr Thomas Freeman, neurosis expert of the Tavistock Clinic, who interrogated the pilot, found he had been taken while his severe stomach cramp while his wife was having their first baby. "Paternal pain" probably has a straightforward psychological explanation, Dr Freeman believes.

It may be the unconscious result of anxiety. Or it may be due to repressed memories of childhood jealousy, caused by the arrival of a younger brother or sister.

Five doctors whom I consulted told me that cases of "paternal pain" are quite common.

Five mothers to whom I passed on this news said they were delighted to hear it.

CURE THE CAT

A CURE for the flu—but so far only in cats—has been discovered at a London hospital.

Sneezing cats were given small injections of a gulpha drug every 12 hours. "The proportion of cats and kittens showing symptoms was greatly reduced compared with previous attacks," Dr Patricia Scott reports.

HEAVYWEIGHTS

★ BIRMINGHAM doctors who recorded the weights of 22,527 new-born babies have discovered:

1. Babies born at home are half a pound heavier on the average than those born in hospitals.

2. A mother's second child is more often heavier than her first.

3. Older women have heavier first babies than young mothers.

RUMOUR INQUIRY

★ THE BELIEF that people add bits on to a rumour as it passes from mouth to mouth has been contradicted by experiments carried out at Liverpool University.

Dr T. M. Higham found that any distortion is nearly always due to over-simplification of the true story by the elimination of details.

Usually some trifling detail is selected by the first few people who pass on the story and the whole rumour becomes organized round it. In one experiment a 100-word story was repeated by five people. Less than 10 percent of the original details remained at the end.

—(London Express Service)



EXERCISE ON SALISBURY PLAIN

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GRAVE DIGGERS OF NATIONS

By JULIAN SCHOPFLIN

Member of the Hungarian Communist Party for 20 years, and Hungarian Minister to the three Scandinavian countries from January 1949, until his defection early in 1950. From the "liberation" of Hungary in 1945 until 1949 he was programme director of the Hungarian Radio and held various other responsible posts.

reduced his sentence to life imprisonment. Rakosi later repaid this token of international solidarity by showing no mercy towards his own opponents, Cardinal Mindszenty, Foreign Minister Rakosi or the luckless Social Democrat fellow-travellers.

BIG BOSS

THE established big boss of Hungary, Mathias Rakosi, has become the centre-piece of a carefully and deliberately built-up legend. His career is nevertheless, amazing even without embellishment.

The son of a bourgeois family named Rosenfeld, he was a minor figure in the 1919 Hungarian Commune. Nowadays he is presented as its foremost leader and the name of Bela Kun, latter-day victim of the great purge, has been eradicated from history, though not from memory.

Following the downfall of the Red rule in Hungary, Rakosi fled to Moscow. After four years' intensive schooling, he was sent back to Hungary in 1924, was arrested and later sentenced to death. The sentence provoked world-wide protest which was skillfully turned by the Communists into a campaign for the defence of human rights. Because of world opinion, the Hungarian Government finally

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IN EXILE

SOME of the older underground fighters, who had spent some time in exile between the wars, recognised with some astonishment Gero, who had been known to them as Comrade Singer, Farkas, who had been Foleck and a Czechoslovak citizen and Reval, previously Comrade Lederer.

As their clothes were intended to radiate bourgeois respectability, so the new "honest"



Artie's Headline

LEOPOLD—UNCROWNED KING OF THE CONGO

From SAM WHITE

BRUSSELS. FROM King of the Belgians to uncrowned King of the Belgian Congo—that, briefly, is the transition King Leopold is making.

Leopold himself has been totting-up his financial resources. His Civil List allowance from the Belgian Government after abdication will be between £40,000 and £50,000 a year. Furthermore he has a considerable personal fortune—most of it consisting of investments in the Belgian Congo, which he inherited from his father and grandfather.

He has been advised on new investments by his friend, the former Belgian Finance Minister and Prime Minister, M. Paul van Zeeland. Some of these investments, including one in an American soft-drink company, have been sold recently and have yielded a rich profit.

Leopold has earmarked some of the profits for the purchase of a property on the Belgian

Congo, where he can live for nine months of the year, spending the other three travelling in Europe.

The property will be located in the high-altitude Congo Province of Kivu, near the Tanganyika and Uganda borders. This is the Kenya of the Congo, with an exhilarating climate and excellent sport. It is now becoming the refuge of Belgium's social and financial elite. (Van Zeeland also is planning to purchase a property there).

But for Leopold it has even greater qualities to recommend it. It is Belgian soil without being actually in Belgium.

Ever since the Korean war there has been a huge transference of Belgian capital into the Congo based on the reasoning that in the event of a European war Belgium might be overrun, but the Congo with its precious uranium deposits would become a major Allied base.

This view of the Congo as an outpost of Belgian resistance to a new invader with himself as its natural leader, is not un-

attractive to Leopold, still smarting from wartime charges of collaboration. There are other advantages too. There are no divisions of view regarding Leopold in the Congo—the colony is 100 percent for him.

Not only are there no divisions about himself there, but even more important there is none about his wife, either. The beautiful Princess De Rethy—the commoner whose wartime marriage to him created so much anti-Leopold feeling—would be instantly and warmly accepted by the Congo aristocracy. By contrast if the King lived in Belgium, her position would be extremely difficult.

Ever since she returned to Brussels with him last year she, like the King, has not ventured outside Leokan Palace, except for occasional visits to Paris or the Riviera.

Life in Belgium for Leopold and his wife would be difficult, often exasperating, whereas life in the Congo would be full of interest and promise.

—(London Express Service)

Truth Or Pravda?

(By A Special Correspondent)

STRANGE things about Britain are written in the Soviet paper Pravda, which means Truth.

An example is the report that "when English ex-soldiers wanted to assemble in Grosvenor Square, they found their way barred. They had no American visas." This was quoted in a Communist paper in Berlin.

A joke? Apparently not. I spoke on the telephone to Mr Victor Majewski who wrote the report. He is London correspondent of Pravda.

Majewski tells me he has been in London with his wife since last November. His home is at the Boltons,



MR. VICTOR MAJEWSKI
Pravda man opens the door.

Kensington. It is his first visit to England. Before coming here he was on the Moscow staff of his paper.

I asked him about his "no American visas" report; and his statement that Kensington Gardens had been changed into an American parade ground, "with the occupation army drilling there."

His comment, in halting English: "I am not sure that the translation is quite correct."

Has he been in Grosvenor Square? Did he require an American visa? Answers: Yes and no.

Where did he get the information that British ex-soldiers required an American visa?

He said he read it in a Communist paper (The Daily Worker), "and I think some others, too." But he added: "It was not the Americans who refused entrance."

SOULLESS

THE shadowy career of Gero is a model for the perfect Stalinist bureaucrat. He is soulless, fanatical and obedient, and his only aim is power, even without its worldly glory. He, too, comes from a lower middle class family of Jewish origin; he too joined the ranks of the Communists in 1919. Later exiled to Moscow, he began his long and thorough training in Stalinist methods. He survived the great purges that almost annihilated the old Hungarian emigre group and had, people say, a hand in the liquidation of the recognised Hungarian Communist leader Bela Kun.

Having proved his worth by ruthlessness and assiduous heresy-hunting, he emerged in the late thirties as one of the chief trouble-shooters of the Comintern. He dealt with the deviations in the French Communist Party at the time of the Popular Front, and was responsible for the execution of scores of so-called deviationists in the International Brigade in the Spanish Civil War. He appeared under various names and in ingenious disguise.

In the first Hungarian Government after the war he turned up as Minister of Communications. Without any previous knowledge of this complicated job, he restored the dislocated Hungarian railway system in less than a year by the sheer force of his indomitable will and his outstanding organisational skill. He has been the chief engineer of the Hungarian Three-Year and Five-Year Plans, an economic dictator of the country.

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BRITAIN'S ATHLETES ARE ALL SET FOR THE MATCH AGAINST FRANCE

By "RECORDER"

Britain's athletes are all set for the match against France at the White City on August 4 and 6 and the tour of the Balkans at the end of August and the beginning of September.

There will be three international matches in the tour of the Balkans—Britain v Yugoslavia in Belgrade on August 25 and 26, Britain v Greece in Athens on August 29 and 30, and Britain v Turkey in Istanbul on September 1 and 2. Britain won against France last year in Paris. This year's performances are generally better than last year's, but the French are also reported to be putting up better standards in almost every event.

The match is almost an inter-empire affair. Empire athletes affiliated to the AAA are eligible and in the team against France will be E. McDonald Bailey (Trinidad), Arthur Wint (Jamaica) and S. O. Williams (Nigeria).

Otherwise the team is almost all English, Alan Paterson, E. C. K. Douglas and Duncan Clark are the only three Scots athletes on it, while Wales is represented by John Disley in the Two Miles Steeplechase.

In the French team are likely to be Patrick el Mabrouk, Alain-O-Kacha Mimoun and Al Guyodo from Morocco, Georges Damitlo from Tunis, Thiam Papa Gallo, highly favoured as the winner of the High Jump at the Helsinki Olympics, from Senegal, and V. Sillon and Bellegarde from Martinique.

SURPRISE SELECTIONS

There are several surprise selections for the British team. It was decided to put Roger Bannister into the Half Mile and Harry Parlett, the European 900 Metres Champion, will partner Bill Nankeville, the European 1,500 Metres Champion, in the Mile. Parlett has twice run the Mile in 4 minutes 9.2 seconds this season and all his training this year has been for the Mile.

Mark Pharaoh, the promising 10-year-old Manchester University student, has been given a place on the team in the Discus Throw, but he is the only one of a whole flock of promising juniors on it.

George Ellis, the 18-year-old Cumberland Grammar School boy who ran third in the 1500 yards at the AAA Championships, will not be running in the relay though last Sunday he won the Inter-County Junior Championship in the 220 Yards in 21.8 seconds, a new junior record.

Another surprise selection is George Broad, with a pole vault of 12 feet 6 inches to his credit and a long jump of 23 feet 3½ inches.

RECORDS RATIFIED

Several records were ratified at the recent meeting of the AAA Records Committee. Peter Hildreth's time of 24.1 seconds for the 220 Yards Hurdles (around a turn) at the White City on June 22 was accepted as a new British All-Comers, British and English native record.

Accepted as new British records were a Discus Throw of 155 feet 3 inches by H. I. Duguid of Edinburgh University, a Shot Put of 54 feet 5 inches by John Savidge of the Royal Navy AAA and London AC at Bournemouth, Notts., on June 2, a Hammer Throw of 179 feet 10 inches by E. C. K. Douglas of the Atalanta Club at Edinburgh on June 16 and Six Miles in 29 minutes 32 seconds by Gordon Pirie at the AAA Championships at the White City on July 13. Savidge's and Pirie's performances are also new English native records and those of Duguid and Douglas new Scottish native records.

Record applications were refused for MacDonald Bailey's 20.5 seconds for 220 Yards without a turn at Imber Court (too much help from the wind), Norman Gregor's pole vault of 12 feet 6 inches at Glasgow to fall in the ground on the run-up, S. E. Cross's new British best in the Hop, Step and Jump of 48 feet 6 inches was with a following wind.

Quite certainly a record for a 44-year-old was Wing Commander D. O. Finlay's effort of 148 seconds for the 120 Yards High Hurdles in an inter-club meeting last Sunday. He may still qualify as Britain's best in this event, though the standard was never higher than it is this year.

BEST PERFORMANCES

The following are some of the better performances by British athletes this season. (In brackets—S—Scottish; W—Welsh; I—Irish; J—Jamaican; T—Trinidadian; F—Fijian; Rh—Rhodesian; SA—South African; N—Nigerian; A—Australian. The rest are all English.)

100 Yards
E. McD. Bailey* (T) 9.6
Terence Higgins* 9.8
B. Gibson 9.9
Robin Finnington 9.9

D. Hoyle 9.9
J. A. Gregory (I) 9.9

220 Yards
E. McD. Bailey* (T) 20.5
John Wilkinson 21.3
Nick Snacey 21.5
B. Gibson 21.6
H. Connor 21.8
J. A. Gregory (I) 21.8
George Ellis 21.8
Brian Shenton* 21.9
Keith Finley 22.0
Terence Higgins 22.0

440 Yards
Arthur Wint* (J) 47.2
Derek Pugh* 47.9
Terence Higgins 48.0
Les Lewis 48.8
F. P. Higgins 48.8
John Wilkinson 49.1
Derek Johnson 49.1
Nick Snacey 49.2

880 Yards
Arthur Wint* (J) 1:49.0
Frank Evans 1:53.2
A. Webster 1:53.4
Tom White 1:53.6
Roger Bannister* 1:54.6
E. K. Robinson 1:55.0
Harry Parlett 1:55.0
Ron Morley 1:55.2
J. D. Prince 1:55.6
D. E. Lyall 1:55.8
J. M. V. Horsman (A) 1:55.8

One Mile
Roger Bannister 4:07.8
Bill Nankeville* 4:08.6
Harry Parlett* 4:09.2
Len Eyre 4:10.6
Chris Chataway 4:12.1
Alan Parker 4:12.4
Ron Morley 4:13.8
Roy Beckett 4:14.3
Gordon Pirie 4:15.8
D. C. Seaman 4:17.2
D. C. Law 4:18.0
S. J. Bryant 4:18.0
Harold Tarraway 4:18.8

Three Miles
Roy Beckett* 14:02.0
Chris Chataway* 14:02.6
H. J. Hicks 14:10.0
Gordon Pirie 14:12.0
Philip Morgan 14:12.4
R. F. Robbins 14:13.8
Alec Olney 14:14.9
A. S. Forbes (S) 14:15.0
Chris Broad 14:22.4
C. F. Sando 14:23.9
Freddie Gordo 14:29.8

High Hurdles
F. J. Parker* 14.8
Peter Hildreth* 14.6
D. O. Finlay 14.6
Joe Bivell 15.0
S. J. Q. Robinson 15.0
P. A. L. Vine 15.2
R. C. Barkway 15.2
D. H. Somervell 15.4

Low Hurdles
Harry Whittle* 54.2
Argus Scott* 54.7
F. J. Parker 55.2
D. K. Gracie (S) 55.5
J. Davis 55.5
G. P. Lloyd 56.8

High Jump
Alan Paterson* (S) 6.6
Ron Pavitt* 6.5
K. Cunningham (S) 6.2
J. F. Phillips 6.1
H. W. Lender (I) 6.1
P. J. Brinson 6.0%

Pole Vault
Norman Gregor (S) 13.0
Andreas Burger (SA) 13.0
G. M. Elliott* 12.6
George Broad 12.6
Tim Anderson 12.6
N. E. C. Dear* 11.6

Long Jump
Sylvanus Williams* (N) 24.3½
I. G. H. Walker* 24.2½
P. A. Whaley 23.5
H. E. Askew 23.3½
George Broad 23.3½
A. R. Cruttenden 23.0%

Hop, Step & Jump
S. E. Cross* 48.0
P. E. Goldsmith* 48.0½
R. C. Salmon (R) 48.1
G. T. Wells (W) 48.0½
W. N. Laid (S) 48.7½
D. W. Field 48.6½
S. J. Q. Robinson 48.4½

Shot Put
John Savidge* 54.5
John Giles 47.4½
Mark Pharaoh 48.10
R. C. Salmon (R) 48.10
T. Pukitis 49.0

Discus Throw
H. I. Duguid* (S) 155.3
John Savidge 146.4
Mark Pharaoh* 141.3½
A. Jansons 137.10½
D. G. Milne (S) 134.7½
T. A. Barratt 132.8

Javelin Throw
M. J. Denley* 107.4½
A. F. Hignell* 103.11
G. N. M. Fisher (S) 103.4
M. J. W. Dalrymple 103.4
D. W. R. Mackenzie (S) 101.1
N. R. Hughes (W) 100.10½

Hammer Throw
E. C. K. Douglas* (S) 170.10
D. McD. Clark* (S) 172.0
P. C. Allday 168.10½

World Records Ratified

London, July 26.
The International Amateur Athletic Federation announces the acceptance of the following world records:

Men's Hop, Step and Jump—16 metres (52 ft. 5¾ ins) by A. F. da Silva, of Brazil, at Sao Paulo, Brazil, on December 3, 1950. The record is held jointly with N. Tajima, of Japan.

Women's Putting the Shot—15.02 metres (49 ft. 3¼ ins.) by A. S. Andreeva, of Russia, at Ploesti, Rumania, on November 9, 1950. The previous record was 14.86 metres (48 ft. 9 ins) held by K. H. Tochenova, of Russia.—Reuter.

83 ENTRIES FOR THE 1951 MOTOR RALLY

Entries for the 1951 Motor Rally sponsored by the Hongkong Automobile Association, and to be held on August 11 and 12, closed at 83—slightly down on last year—very evenly distributed between the four routes. Most of the popular makes of cars are represented, together with one or two interesting models whose performance will be watched with keen interest.

The highwater mark of British sports car production pre-war and post-war will be represented by W. E. Barrett's Lagonda 4½ litre and E. F. Watt's Jaguar XK 120. The Lagonda was sired by W. O. Bentley, designer of the famous cars that bear his name, and scored notable successes in sporting events in the years immediately before the war. The outstanding performances by the XK120 are too recent to need reminders.

Another bearer of one of the famous names in British sport—the Sunbeam Talbot—will be seen in pre-war and post-war versions, providing an interesting example of the trend in car design.

This year, too, sees the presence of a car carrying the greatest name in the whole history of motoring sport—the Mercedes Benz. This famous factory is producing some interesting post-war models, including a diesel-engined car, one of which will be running, entered by K. B. Lee.

The ever popular M.G. will be running in a number of guises, and should acquit itself well, while the relative performances of L. A. Bentley's 1930 Morris Minor, and 1950 model Morris Minor, will be keenly by all those who swear that the pre-war job is better than that turned out to-day.

MARKING SYSTEM

Each section of each route will carry a credit of 1000 points, from which marks will be deducted for early or late arrival at the check points and finishing point. Average speeds are higher this year, but this is offset by running the cars in their own class, with different averages for each class. It will require hard driving, but there is no necessity to break any rules governing the passage of cars on the high road.

A premium is set on the driver's ability to assess his speed according to conditions, with the obvious necessity for him to make up in restricted sections time he will lose in built-up areas and traffic blocks etc.

On the hill tests each class will again have its own standard time, points being won or lost according as to whether that time is exceeded or not. As last year points will also be deducted in the Tests for fouling of obstacles.

The trophies for best performance of the day and fastest time will be awarded irrespective of class.

It is hoped to be able to organise the hill climb in such a way that all drivers will get two runs, which should materially increase the fun.

Arrangements have been made for all entrants plus one passenger to get good a la carte meals at St. Stephen's on arrival, and other refreshments will be available all the afternoon for all visitors. Even if you haven't entered coming along and see the show—it's good!—Contributed.

Russia Claims 27 Registered World Records

Moscow, July 26.
Russia claims 27 registered world records in sport but said today that this was not enough.

Soviet athletes must display more vigour in capturing records, the newspaper Soviet Sport told them in an editorial.

They were seriously lagging behind the programme of the Communist Party, the newspaper said.

It named cycling, tennis, rifle shooting and figure skating as the "backward branches of Soviet sport."

Preparations are being made in sporting circles here for the forthcoming Olympic Games at Helsinki. The editorial declared it was the "patriotic duty of every Soviet athlete to better national and world sports records."

Among branches of sports which the article claimed Soviet world leadership are chess, women's speed skating and volleyball.

In basketball and weight-lifting, the Soviet Union holds European championships, the paper claimed.—Reuter.

British Victory In Horse Jumping International

London, July 26.
The British team won the Edward, Prince of Wales, Cup, one of the most coveted international horse jumping trophies, at the White City show here today.

Britain had two clear rounds over the severe course of 14 fences, including one five feet high, and a 14½-foot water jump.

Italy was second with 12 faults, Spain third with 31 and Ireland fourth with 38 and a half faults. The teams, each of four riders and horses, had to jump the course twice, the winning team being that with the lowest number of faults, calculated on the best three performances of each team.

This was Britain's 11th victory since the inception of the competition in 1920—the highest total of victories to any team.—Reuter.

There Are 1,000,000 Active Athletes In Britain Today

By ARCHIE QUICK

Athletics is now the booming sport of England. Not only is this shown by increased attendances—46,000 people were at the second day of the AAA Championships at the White City—but among those actively participating the AAA state that there are now one million men, women and children taking part in organised athletics under their aegis in Great Britain, and the standard is rising weekly, from schools to seniors.

For instance the Welshman, John Disley, now on a course at Loughborough College, ran the fourth fastest Two Miles Steeplechase ever in the world, yet had to be content with second place in the Championships.

Again that phenomenal Six-Miler, Gordon Pirie, is capable of a 4 min. 15 secs. mile, and I understand he would prefer to concentrate on this distance next season.

He is doing a Bannister in reverse. Roger, a miler, went to Quarter and Half Miles to gain speed. Pirie has started first on the Six Miles to ensure stamina. Anyhow, look out for the surprise announcement that Pirie is to become a miler.

British athletic stock continues to soar. Never has there been such a brilliant meeting as the Amateur Athletic Association Championships just concluded at the White City, London. Eight new records were set up and when one remembers the great runners of the past who have competed down the years at these championships such performances were nothing short of phenomenal.

With half a dozen exceptions, all foreign challenges were resisted, and Great Britain can point proudly to the fact that she is the premier athletic nation of Europe. The Cumberland Grammar Schoolboy, 18-year-old George Ellis, who finished third in the 100 and 220 yards at his first championship appearance, beating several star rivals, is a discovery indeed.

BANNISTER'S FIRST

Although he has gained so many honours already, this was Roger Bannister's first championship. He took the mile in 4 mins. 7.8 secs, streaking away from the field with that devastating burst of his in the back straight of the final lap. No one could live with him, not even men like Parlett, Nankeville, Eyre and Burill.

Remember too that Nankeville, who finished second, also beat the existing record in his endeavour to win the event for the third successive year, and all six finalists were inside 4 mins. 10 secs.

Bannister told me after winning his heat on Friday that apart from appearing against France next month, he did not think he would be doing any more racing this season. He intends to rest until he starts his final preparation for the Olympic Games at Helsinki next year.

Derek Pugh's 4 mins. 7.9 was a record time for the 440 yards, while Arthur Wint was never extended to put up fresh figures for the Half Mile in 1 min. 49.6 secs. McDonald Bailey dominated the two sprints and one wonders what sort of time he could produce if he were quicker off the mark.

Harry Whittle's success this year in the 440 yards hurdles was his fifth in a row and that is a record. He first won when a captain in REME at Arborfield. No style at all, but lots of strength and pluck.

Another great race was the Three Miles, the two leaders Beckett and Chataway sprinting the last twelve laps in 7.8 secs, which was faster than the mile. And Britain can now go forward to the Finnish Games with the greatest confidence.

Meanwhile two German teams—the first since the war to come to England—compete in the Waddilove Trophy Inter-Club meeting promoted by Birchfield Harriers at Birmingham. Both come from Crefeld. The 1955 Club, previously the Kreussen, is one. This Club produced those great runners Kornig and Engelhardt, who were AAA 440 yards relay champions in 1929 and 1933. The 1910 Club is to attack the German One Mile relay record at Birmingham. The German Association allows such attempts outside the country.

Germany and Russia have provisionally accepted these conditions and though they will take part at Helsinki.

But the IAAF has completely overlooked the question of Ireland—North and South—and it is going to be one big headache if it is settled. Ulster wishes to compete under the banner of Great Britain or as Northern Ireland; Eire wants to be Eire, though she is not against Ireland taking the field as a whole. There the matter rests for the moment, and it is going to be a race against time and any number of complications before the situation is cleared—if ever. To make matters worse, the British Olympic Council, at one with the Federation, has also decreed that it will not recognise part country entries.

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Kid Gavilan To Defend Against Billy Graham

New York, July 26.
Kid Gavilan, of Cuba, signed today to defend his World Welterweight "Boxing" title against Billy Graham, of New York.

The bout will be held in the Madison Square Garden, New York, on August 29.

Colonel Eddie Egan, Chairman of the State Athletic Commission, would like the winner to meet Charles Humes, the French holder of the European title, so that an undisputed champion would reign.

At Colonel Egan's insistence, there was no return bout clause in the contract signed today. Gavilan won the National Boxing Association and New York recognition as the champion when he defeated Johnny Bratton in May. He and Graham have met twice before and had divided the honours.—Reuter.

Festival Polo Cup

Rochampton, July 25.
A crowd of 4,000, including Princess Elizabeth, the Duke of Edinburgh and Princess Margaret, saw England's Hurlingham team win the Festival Polo Cup today, beating Argentina's La Espadana quartet 4-3.—United Press.

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This Dividend will be payable on or after Monday, 13th August at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be closed from FRIDAY, 27th July to SATURDAY, 11th AUGUST (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. S. ADAMSON,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 10th July, 1951.

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ORDERS BOOKED

Where Golf Clubs Replace Guns

Fraser's Hill, July 26.

Guerrilla-harassed planters and others accustomed to living in constant danger discard their guns when they come to this peaceful hill station on holiday.

Below them stretches the Pahang jungle, where the Communists work mercilessly. Raub, 10 miles away on the map, is the centre of one of the worst terrorist districts in Malaya.

And the narrow, tortuous road which climbs more than 4,000 feet from the steamy rubber country to bracing Fraser's Hill lends itself to ambushes.

But so far the guerrillas have held their fire in this quarter. Malaysians, who need a break from the strain in the low country, bring their children from behind the barbed wire encircling their plantations and tin mines.

Monocled Bobby Little and his wife, Betty, who come from Maldenhead in England, were up here from their Jerantut rubber estate. They came in a bullet-proof reconnaissance car which Bobby uses when inspecting his rubber plantations.

He has been ambushed three times and earned a police medal in one engagement. His wife has been in two ambushes. But they still hunt elephant and seladang (wild ox) in the jungle adjacent to their estate.

The holiday-makers travel, armed with sub-machine guns and revolvers, in a great assortment of armoured vehicles.

Armoured cars, released by the Army, are very popular. There are jeeps with cabins of steel, cars with armour-plated windows and sheets of steel in the right places making it possible to drive through the guerrillas' cross-fire.

Some people prefer to travel in small English cars similar to those used by many Chinese. These believe that a show of force attracts violence, since the guerrillas often attack to capture guns.

Once at Fraser's Hill, golf clubs replace. Sten guns and children play unguarded, with no barbed wire in sight.

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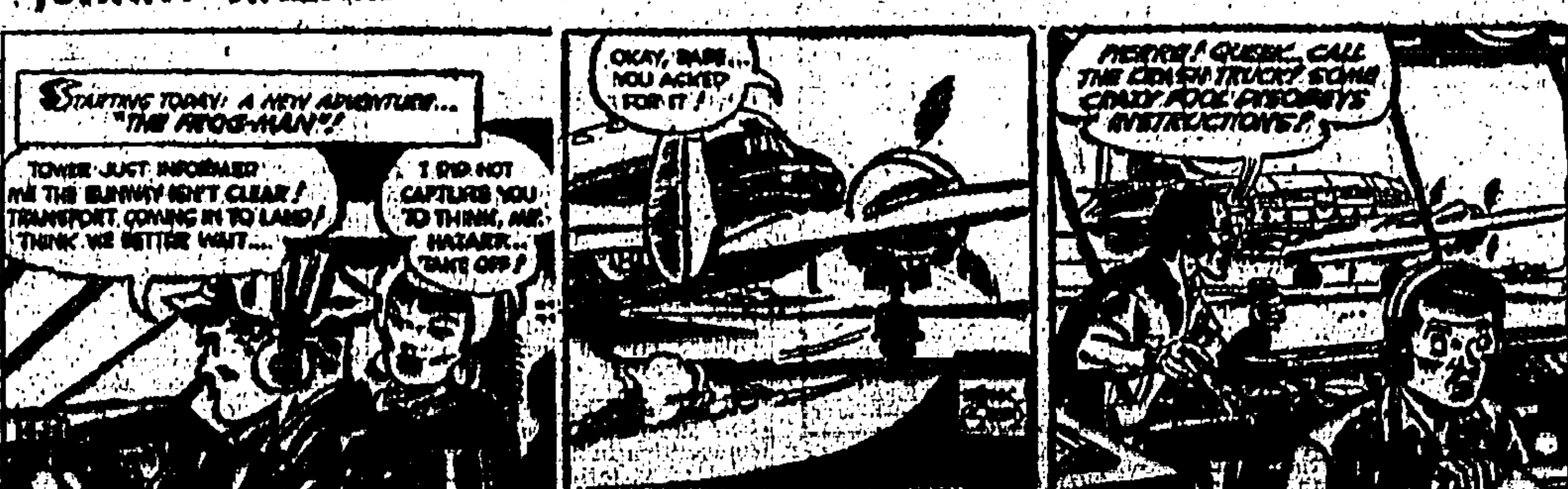
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Customs In Hunt For Gold "Ring"

London, July 26.

Security and Customs officials at international airports and seaports in Europe and Asia are co-operating with the police of many countries in an effort to break widespread gold smuggling. Inquiries are being made in London, Paris, Cairo, Karachi, and Calcutta, and at seaports between Europe, Pakistan and India.

Gold smuggling is causing big losses to a number of countries. Much of the smuggled gold goes into Pakistan and India. An international "ring" using travellers as agents is suspected.

Travellers, and shipping crews, are being watched regardless of nationality. Mr. D. E. W. Fish, ex-Scotland Yard detective-inspector who heads the 600-strong British Overseas Airways Security Branch, later went to Cairo to conduct inquiries. Mr. Fish's "force" cover the corporation's 60,000 miles of routes. — London Express Service.

SPY-FEVER IN NORTH KOREA

Tokyo, July 26.

Peking Radio tonight reported the arrest of four United Nations espionage agents a few hours after they were allegedly dropped in North Korea by an American plane recently. In a report from Pyongyang the Radio claimed that this was but one of many recent instances that spies for the United States had been captured in North Korea. The report said that persons near Pyongyang caught 22 agents operating from a cave near a river bank while the North Korean women militia also captured several. — Reuter.

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Tsun Wan Murder: Court Sequel

Thirteen Accused Men Discharged

Of 19 men who appeared before Mr Winter at Kowloon this morning, charged with the murder of two police constables at Tsun Wan on May 28, conspiracy to rob and armed robbery, 13 were discharged when no evidence was offered against them.

International Air Force

Some 30 planes piloted by Russians, Germans and Japanese arrived in Canton from Mukden early this month, according to a Chinese Press report.

The report stated that the planes represented a unit of the Communist International Air Force which was being sent to Canton to strengthen Red China's air power in the south.

The foreign air force personnel were given quarters at newly completed buildings adjoining the White Cloud Airfield.

AMMUNITION CAR EXPLODES

A locomotive driver and ten Communist soldiers were killed, when an ammunition car exploded at the Hung Sai Station, in the western suburb of Canton on Tuesday afternoon, according to a vernacular Press report.

It was reported that a party of Nationalist guerrillas sneaked past the railway guards and as soon as the train pulled into the station fired on the ammunition car.

INTELLIGENCE TEST

"Add the seventh" has an element of mystery. It is a test. "Add a seventh letter." But—since there is no clue to what a seventh letter would be—Habit assumed that "seventh" refers to the expression of one-seventh as a decimal. It is 142857 (recurring). Now, concentrating on the ordinal value of the letters (A=1, B=2, etc.) we have:

S E V E N T H
1 2 3 4 5 6 7
add 1 4 2 8 5 7 6
2 6 4 9 1 3 13
L E T T E R S
The real password is FINISH.

NO EVIDENCE

Tang Yuen-ling, 36, unemployed, residing in the Rennie's Mill Refugee Camp, Junk Bay, who was charged with the murder of Cheng Chai-ming, alias Cheng Pak-sun at the Camp on May 20, was discharged by Mr Winter at Kowloon this morning when Det. Sub-Ins. J. F. Gale, OIC Homicide Squad, offered no evidence against him.

RECOGNITION OF VICE-CONSULS

Notification was made in the Gazette this morning that H.E. the Governor has recognised, provisionally and pending instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr T. C. Adams, Mr J. B. Dexter, Mr E. W. Bryant, Mr P. M. Miller and Mr R. J. Ballantyne as Vice-Consuls for the United States of America at Hongkong.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers
1. Economic Co-operation Administration. 2. The Imperial and the Metric. 3. One who keeps the hounds from wandering and whips them in, if necessary to the line of scent. 4. Quebec, Canada. 5. The male capercailzie. 6. Puppets worked by strings.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Not much news—I didn't hear a bit of gossip in the beauty shop today that I wanted to believe!"

Donkey Served As Veal, Says MP

London, July 26. If you order escalope of veal, you may be getting donkey meat, the House of Commons was told today.

It was Major Guy Lloyd (Tory, East Renfrew) who startled the House by raising the question.

He began by asking: "What are the conditions under which donkey meat can be sold for human consumption?"

Replied Mr F. T. Willey, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Food: "The provisions of the Food and Drugs Act, 1939, relating to the sale of horse flesh, apply."

'MORE SNOOPERS'

Major Lloyd: "In view of the fact that the amount of donkey meat being sold at the present time is exceptional, and that most people who order escalope of veal are, in fact, getting donkey meat, will you give an assurance that the Government is taking this matter very seriously?"

Mr Willey: "My department does not deal in donkeys. As far as I know, Major Lloyd is misinformed."

Mrs Jean Mann (Soc., Coat-bridge): "Isn't this a matter of having more inspectors and more snoopers to save us from private enterprise?"

Mr J. R. Bevins (Tory, Toxteth, Liverpool): Does Willey subscribe to the point of view of the Minister of Agriculture that the eating of donkey meat is no worse than the eating of beef?"

Mr Willey: "The provisions to which I have referred safeguard the consumer, and the duty of enforcing the provisions lies with local authorities."

Kwangtung Reds Run Into Trouble

One Russian mineralist was killed and three Communist mining engineers wounded when a party of Nationalist guerrillas attacked the village of Lien Chow Hui, a mining district in Western Kwangtung, where the visitors were housed for the night on July 6, according to a Chinese Press report.

The guerrillas decamped taking away with them nine rifles and some official documents.

A number of suspects are reported to have been rounded up by the Military authorities.

Another report states that farmers in Tai Ching village, northern Kwangtung, killed 20 Communist grain collectors and six soldiers at dawn on July 19.

The farmers were angered by the tyrannical behaviour of the Communist collectors and soldiers and decided to take revenge on their oppressors.

They attacked the houses where the Communists were quartered taking the troops by surprise.

Unlicensed Junk

A fine of \$60 was imposed on Ko Ki-lee, 44-year-old fisherman, by Mr T. B. Low at the Marine Court this morning for failing to take out a licence for his junk and for failing to display navigation lights.

Arrested early this morning in Sulphur Channel defendant said he had only bought the junk recently.

Can't Read

The fortieth (T) in the series of lessons in Cantonese to be broadcast over Radio Hongkong by Mr S. K. Lee will be given this evening at 6.30.

Victoria Garrison School Prize Giving

Speech Day at the Victoria Garrison school was held this morning when seventy parents, mostly mothers, gathered in the school hall to watch Commodore Dickinson present prizes to eighteen of the 135 children who sat packed together on the floor of the hall.

Commodore H. G. Dickinson RN, arrived with his Flag Lieutenant and sat with Colonel H.E.M. Cotton OBE, the Colonel in charge of Administration; Lieut-Cdr. W. Lamb RN, Major A.L.T. Sassoon, Camp Commandant and officer in charge of the school; and the Rev. Goch.

Before reading her report of the school year, the Headmistress, Miss Wills thanked the Commodore for coming and said how honoured were the children and staff to have him distribute the prizes.

Miss Wills said they were fortunate to have had so few illnesses—the only real scare came when one child developed diphtheria, but this turned out to be a fairly mild case.

Going briefly over the history of the school, whose fluctuation of both children and teachers was tremendous, Miss Wills said the school opened for the first time after the liberation in March 1949 with 24 children and two mistresses.

At present there was a staff of six, and two sergeants from the RAEC were posted as the number of pupils steadily increased.

Referring to the coming of the staff, Miss Wills said: "It is my earnest wish that the staff will continue as it is at present, so that the teachers can settle down for a long period and get to know the children and their levels of work, so that progress next year can be made and maintained."

IMPROVEMENTS

Major Sassoon told the parents of the improvements planned for the school buildings during the summer holidays, which he said would end on September 6.

Improvements to be made would include a number of extra wash basins, which he said was an army requirement, and not a reflection on the children's lack of interest, said Major Sassoon, the 135 pupils were made up of eleven from the Royal Navy, 107 from the army, and 17 from the RAEC.

Eight from the deckyard and two W.D. children, he thanked the headmistress and staff for all the hard work they had put into the year.

The Commodore, after he had been introduced by Major Sassoon and given away the prizes, made a short impromptu speech to the children, telling them how many new and exciting things had been invented and discovered since his own schooldays.

What a challenge the age in which they were growing up is presented to them! He congratulated them on their work during the year and winning so many prizes.

Japanese Comes Ashore

Y. Nakamura, alias Chan Chuen Yue-foo, 26-year-old Japanese, and crew member of the mv Wing Hing which arrived here on July 21, pleaded guilty before Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning to illegally entering the Colony and was fined \$250 or two months' imprisonment.

The ship's master, Y. Taira, was fined a nominal sum of \$25 when he admitted committing a breach of Immigration Regulations by permitting Nakamura to go ashore.

Sub-Inspector Bennett of the Immigration Office stated that when the ship arrived in the harbour, a notice was handed to the master refusing leave for all the ship's Japanese crew members to land. The notice was signed by the crew.

On the night of July 25, a detective saw the first defendant near the Luk Kwok Hotel, Gloucester Road, and arrested him after discovering his identity.

Taira, also speaking through an interpreter, apologized to the Bench for the trouble caused, and assured it would not happen again.

The Wing Hing is leaving this afternoon.

Living Language

Why we say Going to the Dogs.

Shylock, in The Merchant of Venice, cried bitterly: "Another time you call me dog"—yet even centuries before Shakespeare the word "dog" was being used, as it is today, as a term of contempt.

The Romans used their word "canis," a dog, to mean also the ace in dice. When a Roman dice-thrower threw three "dogs" he lost the game. So dogs became associated with bad luck and "gone to the dogs," a witty way of describing someone else's ruin—especially if it were his own fault through gambling.

New Govt Appointments Announced

The Gazette this morning announced the following Government appointments: Lieut-Col J. C. Rix to be Senior Veterinary Officer; Mr J. T. Burdett to be Commissioner of Prisons; Miss Mabel Lunn and Miss Ruth Christine Franklin to be Nursing Sisters; Major R. H. Robertson to act as a veterinary officer at such times as may be necessary, with authority to exercise the powers and to perform the duties of Senior Veterinary Officer under any law applicable to the Colony; and Mr H. A. de B. Botelho to be Director of the Widows' and Orphans' Pensions, vice Mr L. R. Anderson.

Confirmation of the following officers to the permanent and pensionable establishment has been approved by H.E. the Governor: Mr D. C. C. Luddington, Cadet Officer; Mr W. K. Thomson, Legal Officer; Miss M. Moran, Nursing Sister; Mr G. J. Bell, Scientific Officer; Mr R. J. F. Bell, Building Surveyor; Mr F. F. Tingay, Master, Education Department; and Miss W. M. Gardiner, Nursing Sister.

SOVIET SHIP AT WHAMPOA

According to a Chinese Press report, an ocean-going Russian freighter arrived in Canton with large quantities of strategic and raw materials from European ports on July 18.

After discharging the cargo, the freighter took on a shipment of native produce and cleared for Vladivostok the following day.

Mail Notices

Registered articles and parcel mails close one hour earlier than the ordinary mail times shown below:

FRIDAY, JULY 27
By Air
Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Europe, 5 p.m.
via B.O.A.C.
Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, 5 p.m.
via B.O.A.C.
Formosa, 5 p.m. via H.K. Airways.
B.N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m. via Q.E.A.

By Surface
Macao, 5 p.m. via s/s Hu Men/Tak Shing.
Formosa, 5 p.m. via s/s Wing Sang.

SATURDAY, JULY 28
By Air
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 8 a.m. via P.A.L.
U.S.A., Canada, 1 p.m. via P.A.L.
Formosa, 2 p.m. via A.T.T.
Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m. via P.O.A.S.C.
Japan, 5 p.m. via s/s Hu Men/Tak Shing.
Macao, 5 p.m. via s/s Hu Men/Tak Shing.
China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m. train via Canton.
Siam, 10 a.m. via s/s Heinrich Jansen.
Malaya, 10 a.m. via s/s Bougainville.
U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America, 1 p.m. via s/s Edgar Luckenbach.
Philippines, 2 p.m. via s/s Tintala.
France, 5 p.m. via s/s Singapore.

SUNDAY, JULY 29
By Air
Formosa, 5 p.m. via H.K. Airways.
Indo-China, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Europe, 5 p.m.
via Air France.
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Macao, 5 p.m. via s/s Tai Loy.
MONDAY, JULY 30
Formosa, 2 p.m. via C.A.T.
Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Europe, 5 p.m. via B.O.A.C.
Japan, 5 p.m. via B.O.A.C.
Formosa, 5 p.m. via B.O.A.C.
Siam, 10 a.m. via s/s N.W.A.L.
Siam, Malaya.
By Surface
Macao, 5 p.m. via s/s Hu Men/Tak Shing.
China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m. train via Canton.
Canada (Parcels only), 10 a.m. via s/s Castle Ville.
Philippines, 2 p.m. via s/s Pres. Harrison.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.
6.00 Programme Summary; 6.02 Children's Hour; 6.15 The Story of Robin Hood; 6.30 A Play by Max Kester; 6.45 With Music by Max Saunders; 6.55 "Nottingham Fair"; 7.00 "Cantonese By Radio" by Miss Lee Wei Lan and B.K. Lee; (Studio); 7.10 Organ Solo by Fernando Gorman; 7.20 "It's A Shame To Take The Pay" (BBC); 7.30 Memories of A Cockney Childhood in The West End; 7.45 "The Story of Robin Hood"; 7.55 "The Story of Robin Hood"; 8.00 World News and News Analysis; (London Relay); 8.10 The Fleet Street Chair; 8.20 Ray's "Laugh"; 8.30 With Ted Ray, Kitty Blunt and Fred Yule; (Inch); 8.50 Weather Report; 9.00 "From the Editor's Desk"; (Recorded Relay); 9.10 "Music Lovers' Hour"; 9.20 "Cantonese By Radio" by Miss Lee Wei Lan and B.K. Lee; (Studio); 9.30 "The Story of Robin Hood"; 9.45 "The Story of Robin Hood"; 9.55 "The Story of Robin Hood"; 10.00 The Program A Feature in Britain's Under-Water Attacking Force; (BBC); 11.00 Radio News; 11.10 "Cantonese By Radio" by Miss Lee Wei Lan and B.K. Lee; (Studio); 11.20 Weather Report; 11.30 God Save The King; 11.50 Close Down.

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